

Project Update

Northbound US 29 Widening & Sound Barriers - Phase 1B

SUMMER 2015

ABOVE: AERIAL VIEW OF NOISE BARRIOR AND WIDENING PROGRESS FROM MAY 3, 2015

Sound Barrier Work is Underway

With traffic shifted onto the new median lane, sound barriers are beginning to go up and a recycled asphalt base is getting a test run

Recent Accomplishments:

- Traffic has been shifted onto the new median lane from MD 32 to Broken Land Parkway, and traffic barrier is installed on the right shoulder to allow construction of sound barriers between US 29 and Shaker Drive.
- Sound Barrier 3 (US 29 South to MD 32 West) is now completely drilled and the first pour of concrete is in place.
- Crews have applied a layer of foamed asphalt base, a recycled material that can help save costs for asphalt paving and is being tested on this project.

Current Work:

- Drilling caissons for sound barriers 4
- Erosion and Sediment control (E&S) installation and maintenance
- Excavation of ditches within the median north of Broken Land Parkway

Upcoming Work:

- Installing posts and panels on noise barrier 3
- Completing the grading and subgrade for the new median lane north of Broken Land Parkway to the existing third lane tie-in.



Above: Contracting crews apply a test strip of recycled base material to northbound US 15 (July 10, 2015).

PROJECT AT A GLANCE

LOCATION: NORTHBOUND US 29 FROM MD 32 (PATUXENT FREEWAY) TO MD 175 (ROUSE PKWY)

COST: \$26.6 MILLION

SHA PROJECT ENGINEER: BRIAN PICKENS

CONTRACTOR: ALAN MYERS MD, INC. (FORMERLY CALLED AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE, INC.)

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: SUMMER 2016

40% COMPLETE

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the project website at http://bit.ly/US29phase1B

To submit comments or questions, see the <u>feedback</u> section on the website or call the field office at 443-917-2157.



IF YOU WERE WONDERING...

Q: Why are the trees being cut down between Shaker Drive and US 29?

A: The trees that have been removed are in the area where the new sound barriers will be constructed. The walls will reduce highway noise and block sight for the residents along US 29 from MD 32 to MD 175. The finish for the residential side of the barriers is shown at left.

